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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

The present application is related to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/497,802, filed on February 4, 2004, to Ferrucci et al., entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INTERACTIVE DOCUMENT CONFIGURATION" having IBM Docket No. YO999-167, U.S. Patent Application No. 09/498,000, filed on February 4, 2004, to Ferrucci et al., entitled "METHOD AND VISUAL APPARATUS FOR PRESENTING AND NAVIGATING A VARIABLE OBJECT MODEL", having IBM Docket No. YO999-200, and to U.S. Patent Application No. ~~09/497,000~~ 09/497,800 filed on February 4, 2004, to Ferrucci et al., entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DOCUMENT COMPONENT IMPORTATION AND RECONCILIATION" having IBM Docket No. YO999-202, each in their entirety incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph on page 10, line 6 with the following amended paragraph:

An entity called the link manager 16 is responsible for evaluating domain model reference expressions and enforcing the appropriate linkages between content variables 12 and domain object properties 15. The specific evaluation process is implementation dependent. The link manager must be able to interpret a domain object reference expression's semantics and determine the object property that the expression indicates. This may be accomplished in many ways depending on the particular syntax of the expression and how it is mapped to the model. It is a straight-forward exercise for any one skilled in the art. The linkages are "enforced" ~~by~~ whenever a change occurs to: (A) a content variable's domain model reference expression, or (B) the domain model, the link manager will re-evaluate the domain model reference expression and establish the appropriate link.